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SUBJECT: BOLIVIA FLOODING SITREP 2: FEBRUARY 27, 2007

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11. (U) Massive flooding continues to plague Bolivia's eastern departments of the Beni and Santa Cruz.

- Damage estimates from the flooding described in reftel have risen to USD 250 million nationwide, according to press reports.

- Flood waters have spread to new areas, and an outbreak of dengue fever has reportedly expanded to nearly 1,800 cases.

- Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez announced that Venezuela would donate USD 5 million and two helicopters, as well as provide engineers and doctors, to assist with the disaster.

12. (SBU) USAID officials traveled to Trinidad, capital of the Beni, on February 27 to assess the situation and make recommendations for additional assistance as appropriate. The Ambassador will visit Trinidad on March 5 to deliver assistance, demonstrate solidarity, and discuss the crisis there with local authorities. U.S. aid donated for the disaster totals USD 732,000 to date.

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